Financial aid for tourism projects

†1475. SHRI HARENDRA SINGH MALIK: Will the Minister of TOURISM AND CULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have taken a decision to provide financial aid for development of tourism to those states only which have proper tourism projects;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) the States from which Government have received tourism projects till June 30, 2002 and what are the State-wise and the project-wise details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF TOURISM AND CULTURE (SHRI JAGMOHAN): (a) and (b) The Department of Tourism, Government of India provides financial assistance to all the State Government/UTs Administrations for identified projects every year in consultation with them.

(c) The Department of Tourism, Government of India requested all the State Government/UTs Administrations to submit project proposals for financial assistance udner the schemes i.e. Integrated Development of Tourism Circuits and Products/Infrastructure and Destination Development in May, 2002. The following proposals have been received till June 30, 2002;

(1) Rural Tourism at Mopungchuket/Impur village, Nagaland

(2) Heritage Centre at Kigwema, Kohima, Nagaland.

Investment target for development of tourism

1476. PROF. M.M. AGARWAL: Will the Minister of TOURISM AND CULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) the state-wise details of investments made in tourism sector during the Sixth, Seventh and Eighth Five Year Plans;

(b) the details of investment target made for the Ninth Five Year Plan for the development of tourism sector in the country; and

(c) the extent of which the target have been achieved so far in the country, Plan-wise?

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